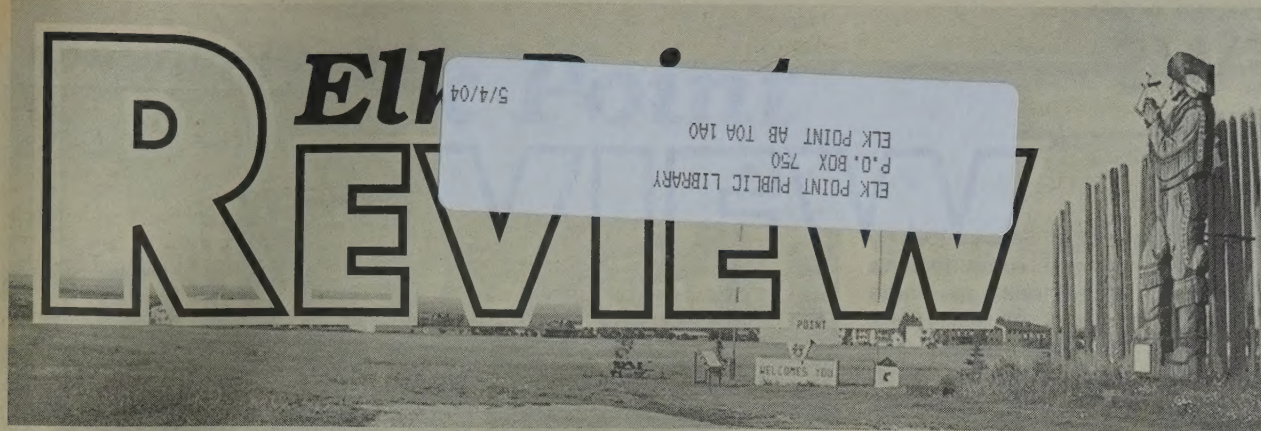




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Community Choir

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# Firefighters lose hair for Clarissa

*All for the love of a little girl*

There were four chairs and no waiting at Elk Point Fire Hall on Saturday afternoon, as three pairs of clippers and a tub of disposable razors made short work of removing the crowning glory from the heads of 23 men and two young ladies who volunteered to lose their locks for Clarissa Gusnowski.

Close to \$10,000 in donations and pledges was raised for five-year-old Clarissa, who was recently diagnosed with leukemia and is currently receiving treatment at the Stollery Children's Hospital. Donations "are still coming in," event organizer Kyla Clouth said Monday.

Saturday's head-shaving marathon got underway with words of welcome from firefighter and EMT Jay MacNeill and co-organizer Zanna Brovchenko, who thanked everyone for their support. Mayor and deputy fire chief Lyle Frisby thanked all the individuals as well as local and out-of-town businesses for their prompt response to the plea for donations. "The fire department was asked if they would get their heads shaved. We stipulated that if they raised \$2500 I would get mine shaved, and we would add a firefighter for every \$100 over that. At this point we have 12 firefighters on the list, plus the deputy fire chief from Dewberry, an RCMP officer and others."

Frisby was the first to go under the clippers, with Roberta Scott doing the honors, while Elk Point 4-H member Lacy Wandler bravely gave up her locks to the ministrations of Yvette Best. Angie Taylor set up a third chair to help with the cuts, while a number of volunteers, including Del King, Robert and Sherry Smith took turns with the razors to give each head the finishing touch.

Clarissa's dad, Ryan, and his brothers Kris and MacKenzie all willingly gave up their hair and Kris' beard to the cause, as did her great-uncle, Kenny Stewart, who said he had worn his hair long since "at least Grade 4". Wife Maureen, watching as Kenny's shoulder-length curls hit the floor, said it was "heart touching to see so many coming forward."

The final count showed a total of 25 shiny heads, with Mayor Frisby presenting first-edition Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department hats to all who had their head shaved, along with thanks "for helping the Gusnowski family in their time of need". Servus Credit Union donated toques to help ward off the chill.

Newly shorn participants Cam Stevenson, Reg Smith and Lacy Wandler were the door prize winners.

Clarissa's parents offered emotional thanks "to all who were willing to do this", while grandmother Kathy praised the "loyalty, selflessness and Christmas spirit" in helping "a very special little girl" and her family, and predicted "this is only the start to a very special relationship with the community."



**A LITTLE MORE OFF THE TOP** - Mayor Lyle Frisby gave up his hair to the clippers on Saturday as Roberta Scott and friends sheared 25 heads to raise funds for a young cancer victim.

(More Photos on Page 2)

■ Up Front

## Land use bylaw approved without opposition

The Town of Elk Point's new Land Use Bylaw 622/03 passed second and third readings last Monday night after no written submissions were received and no complainants came forward at the public hearing which preceded the regular meeting of Town Council.

Mayor Lyle Frisby welcomed RCMP Sgt. Brian Quist, who said he and his family "are very happy" with their move to Elk Point, their third move in three years, and added, "we plan on being here for a while." Quist brought along the latest RCMP statistics, which show close to 1900 files

for the Detachment to date in 2003, an increase for the same time period from previous years. Statistics for Elk Point itself show the town is "quiet compared to the other zones" in the report, Quist said. The detachment is still one member short, as an anticipated transfer in has not taken place to date.

All three readings were given to a bylaw permitting temporary borrowing by establishing a line of credit. While the Town is currently in a good financial position, they need this bylaw in place to cope with any periods of low cash flow in the future,

such as to cover expenses while waiting for property tax payments to come in.

Visiting agricultural service board representatives from across the province will be treated to beef and buffalo on a bun, soup, salad and doughnuts when they visit Elk Point next July on their tour. Town Council is hosting lunch for both halves of the tour, which will stop in town on consecutive days as they make their way around the area.

Elk Point will also be hosts for the June 2004 Canadian Public Works Association Alberta Chapter spring

meeting, and will provide souvenirs for participants.

Laverne Wilson was approved as a new member on the Elk Point Public Library Board.

Support for the Elk Point Community Lions Santas Anonymous project was upped \$10 over last year's figure, with the approval of a \$250 donation toward providing Christmas basics for less fortunate families.

Council was also on the receiving end of a donation, when Elk Point Pioneer Circle sent along a token of appreciation.



community NEWS



Hair today,  
gone tomorrow

GREAT-UNCLE Kenny Stewart submitted his wavy locks to Angie Taylor's clippers (left). He later posed with nephews (below, left to right) Ryan Gusnowski, who is Clarissa's father, Kris Gusnowski, who also gave up his beard, and Mackenzie Gusnowski, for an "after" view.



FRESHLY FLEECE FIREFIIGHTERS and ambulance personnel display their shiny new look after the marathon haircutting session.



A VERY GOOD HAIR DAY - 25 heads yielded the sheared locks in foreground.

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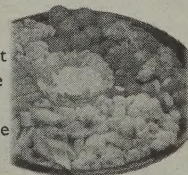
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## Grants will help host provincials, aid cash-strapped organizations

In October, Town Councillor Parrish Tung presented a notice of motion regarding establishment grants to help local sports teams host provincial tournaments and to help non-profit organizations finding themselves in dire financial straits. The time to give these concepts some thought paid off last week, when Council approved both grants, after thorough discussion of details.

The Town receives a substantial amount in franchise revenues, and Tung felt some of this money should go back to the public in the form of the two grants, \$2000 divided between all teams hosting provincials in a year and up to \$25,000 to help organizations in trouble.

Town manager Myron Goyan has his doubts about the programs, and said "when you start giving out money, volunteering stops." He noted that the arena mortgage has just been paid off, the Curling Club is booked to operate a casino in 2005, and the Town already supports the Golf Club by pumping water to irrigate their course. Other facilities, including the arena

and livestock arena, do not pay for water. He added that a one-time grant of \$20,000 was distributed to needy organizations in 2001.

Councillors also had some doubts, noting that parents with children involved in organizations expect to work bingos, contribute to bake sales and other fundraising efforts to support activities.

Tung explained that the purpose of the proposed non-profit volunteer organization oper-

ating grant is "to provide assistance to registered organizations who come across unforeseeable problems, not a year-to-year shortfall. The money comes from the franchise fees paid to the Town - what better way to give back to the community?"

Regarding the provincial hosting grant, Tung explained that the host teams cannot charge entry fees for provincial tournaments, nor can they charge spectators, but are still required to

pay for the officials. At last summer's Minor Ball provincials, "we worked the booth for two and a half days to pay the ump's." Hockey provincials are the same. "They're lucky if they break even, and it takes a lot of volunteer hours." Tung feels hosting provincials "increases the profile of the town. Newspaper ads don't bring in as many

visitors. The kids benefit, the town benefits. I thought we could assist these teams by making funds available and give them some incentive."

A motion to establish a provincials hosting grant, with a total of \$2000 allocated toward groups hosting provincials and divided between these teams and distributed in October for that calendar year's

tournaments, passed by a 4 - 1 margin.

A motion setting aside a maximum of \$25,000 from franchise fees to assist registered non-profit volunteer organizations for the year of 2004 only was passed by another 4 - 1 vote, with the stipulation that each application is to be evaluated by Town Council as a whole.

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## Remember, kids - no pouting allowed

It's only a week and two days until Christmas, and no doubt the strain of getting all the preparations in place is beginning to take its toll on many of us. But just think-how difficult it is for the youngsters, to be exceptionally good and to refrain from crying, pouting and other typical childhood behavior.

Perhaps we could make it a little easier on them by not expecting more than they can reasonably provide in the way of good behavior - no insisting that their rooms should be clean enough that they could eat off the floor - clean enough to suit Grandma is clean enough. And no sending them to do the dishes while you sit down and watch the Christmas specials on TV - do the chores together so you can all enjoy the fun of the season.

And no pouting from you either, parents - Santa's watching!



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## Producers given choice with mature market animal program

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While a national program would have been preferred, our industry told us that the federal program has some significant problems. Our program is designed to be as market neutral as possible and will encourage producers to seek the highest value for their animals. As well, our program recognizes the individual value of market animals. Most importantly, it puts business decisions in the hands of producers, who choose to keep their animals or offer them for sale.

The program offers producers the option of a per-head payment or a deficiency

payment if they market their animals. Because of the unique nature of their industries, elk, deer, alpaca, and llama producers will be offered a feed program specific to their needs.



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MLA Report

Alberta's program also means access to immediate cash flow for the province's 38,000 cow/calf producers. Many of Alberta's cow/calf producers have been suffering from a depressed market since the single case of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) was discovered in May 2003. This program will give the producers the immediate cash flow they need while they make adjustments for a new marketplace reality.

Alberta's program will cover all mature ruminants affected by the border closure, including cows, bulls,

bison, sheep, goats, elk, deer, llama, and alpaca. Producers will be required to register their herds in order to be eligible under the program.

Funding for the Alberta Mature Animal Market Transition program is part of the previously announced \$100 million, which was earmarked for both a mature animal program and a final steer and heifer program.

Alberta has committed more than \$400 million to BSE compensation—more than any other province in Canada, and more than the federal government has committed nationally.

More program information is available on Ropin' the Web ([www.agric.gov.ab.ca](http://www.agric.gov.ab.ca)). Application forms are available on the website, through my constituency office, or directly from Rural Services Division at (780) 422-9167. If you have questions on this or any other program, I can be reached in my constituency office at 645-6999 (St. Paul), 623-1730 (Lac La Biche) or in Edmonton at 780-415-9578.



## It's Christmastime



How are you all doing? It is only eight more sleeps until Christmas Day. Again, I have to ask, How are you all doing? Relax for a minute and take time to read this article and the rest of the paper.

The traditions that we develop around special occasions such as Christmas can be a source of joy of joy and comfort. However, it can be a challenge getting there - right! Let me tell you the big rock story. I am not too sure where it originated but it is a good story. It is the story of the expert in time management who carefully placed a dozen fist-sized rocks, one at a time, into a wide mouth Mason jar. When the jar was filled to the top and no more rocks would fit inside, he asked his group of business students, "Is this jar full?" Everyone in the class yelled, "Yes." "Really?" he questioned, and then he reached under the table and pulled out a bucket of gravel. He dumped some gravel in and shook the jar, causing pieces of the gravel to work themselves down into the spaces between the big rocks. He then asked the group once more, "Is the jar full?" By this time the class was on to him. "Probably not," one of them answered. "Good!" he replied. He reached under the table and pulled out a bucket of sand. He started dumping the sand in the jar and it went into the spaces left between the rocks and the gravel. Once again he asked the question, "Is this jar full?" "No!" the class shouted. Once again, he said, "Good." Then he grabbed a pitcher of water and began to pour it in until the jar was filled to the brim. Then he looked at the class and asked, "What is the point of this illustration?" One eager beaver raised his hand and said, "The point is, no matter how full your schedule is, if you try really hard you can always fit some more things into it!" "No," the speaker replied, "that's not the point. The truth this illustration teaches us is if you don't

put the big rocks in first, you'll never get them in at all."

I like that story, because it has a message for us with our Christmas preparations. First of all, we have to decide what our big rocks are in our traditional Christmas preparations. When you think about it, your big rocks probably are listening to the Christmas story and message of Christmas at the church of your choice, the Christmas tree, the Christmas dinner,

Christmas cards and letters and gifts to your loved ones. The gravel is probably the extras you add to those items. Now the sand is probably the "other stuff" that came from who-knows-where to fill your days before Christmas. What about the water? O, it is probably the "stuff" you forgot that you added because someone said it was important to do at this time of year. My point is that if you lose your focus on your big rocks and don't keep to them, you will become bogged down at this time of year. Yes, just like the illustration in the story, you can keep filling your days before Christmas and the jar will still have room for something. However, wait a minute. There is no value to having a completely full jar if it is not enjoyable. We don't want you all stressed and not feeling well for Christmas. Slow down and take it easy, everyone. Take it easy with the gift buying and remember the January bills. Take it easy with the preparations as what matters is the enjoyable time you will share with family and friends. This is what they will remember - not all the preparations. Keep focused this Christmastime and take it easy, everyone. Happiness is not going to come from all we do if we forget what our big rocks represented. May you be in touch with your big rocks and tend to them first. The other stuff is not really that important. Happy traditional Christmas preparations, everyone, and RELAX!





community **NEWS****Students, guests will feast at F.G.M.***Annual Christmas brunch a longstanding tradition*

Friday, December 19 is fast approaching, and preparations are almost complete for the annual Christmas Brunch. The half-day of school on this Friday will be celebrated with a large holiday feast made by the staff and grade twelve students from the school, and served by the Grade twelves. Some community members who have a close association with the school have received personal invitations to join in the meal and

music, which will be provided by the Grade 9 and Sr. High music stu-



**John BRAGA**

*F. G. Miller High*

dents. Thanks go to Mrs. Lindquist and Mr. Krys from everyone at F.G.M. for working so hard to arrange the food and entertainment that we are sure to enjoy.

Last year's French

travel club met on December 11th to prepare and mail a Christmas Card to their exchange school of Le College Charles-Lemoyne in Longueuil, Quebec. The new group of exchange students have finished off their Lily Dale Chicken and Picure Dip fundraisers which were both very successful. The French Club will have their next

meeting on January 14th, after their January 10th bottle drive.

Since the holidays from school interrupt my opportunity to write to you I would like to take this last opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the season be filled with joy and the love of family for you.

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- Corporations and trade unions cannot make contributions to the registered parties themselves or to their leadership contestants.

For more details on these and many other important changes to the *Canada Elections Act*, click in the Political Financing box on our Web site at **www.elections.ca** or call **1 800 463-6868**.

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**Elections Canada**



# community NEWS

## County approves loan for road

By Michelle Huley  
St. Paul Journal Staff

After years of operating from a cash-only position, the county has approved a loan to finance its share of Moose Hills Road.

"If we can pay it off, we should pay all of it off," Councillor. Don Mudryk stated at the County of St. Paul's Dec. 9 meeting. "For the past six years, we didn't

have to borrow money to build roads and I don't want to start now." Council approved the \$300,000 loan, which will pay for its share of the road, over two years with the intention of paying \$150,000 each year.

"If we do the final budget, and we can pay it off, then we pay it off," administrator Kim Heyman said, adding borrowing over two

years as opposed to one gives the municipality some leeway. "By the time we get around to our operating budget, I should be able to do some cost projections."

"We can't put ourselves in a corner where we have to throw in another \$100,00," Councillor. Frank Sloan said. "Remember, if oil doesn't go down, we have a lot of oil roads that has to be done.

We're going to have to buy oil. I'm just saying, we've got to be careful too."

"I don't want to be where we were a few years ago when we were in a \$5million hole," Mudryk stressed.

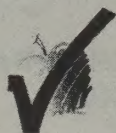
"A couple of years ago we said when this road was done, we would borrow to finance it. We knew it was coming," said Reeve Robert Bouchard. "If we can pay it back next year, we can pay it back. I agree. You don't want to borrow money to build roads. This was a special project."

Heyman stressed the bylaw does have flexibility. "Every year, this bylaw has to be renewed. If it's not paid off, we would issue another next year."



RED NOSE AND ALL - Rudolph was waiting for Santa at the Windsor Club craft show on Saturday. Cute elevator bird feeders were also among the wide selection of gifts on offer at the sale.

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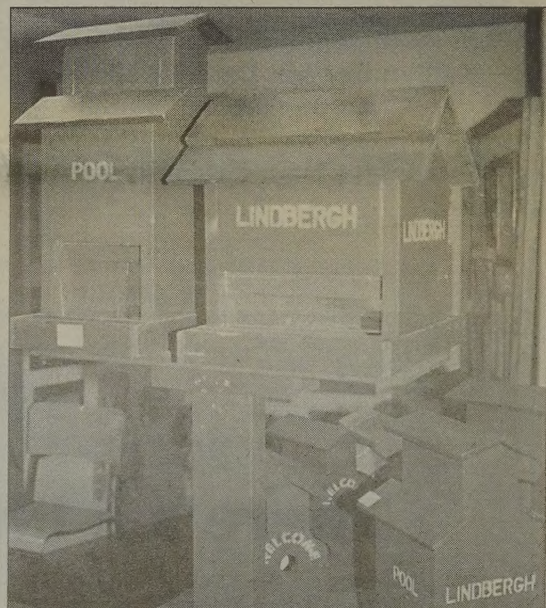
Happy Holiday  
Season!!!



## Bag found on steps

On December 9, 2003 a purple and black duffle bag filled with clothes and toiletries was left on the steps of a local business in Elk Point.

Anyone requiring further information is asked to call Elk Point RCMP Detachment at (780) 724-3964.



## What employers need to know about Alberta's new workplace safety rules.

Alberta is taking action to ensure all workplaces are safe. Our latest step is the adoption of a new Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Code. The new Code will make workplace safety rules more responsive and help to reduce workplace injuries.

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To obtain your copy of the new OHS Code, contact the Queen's Printer:

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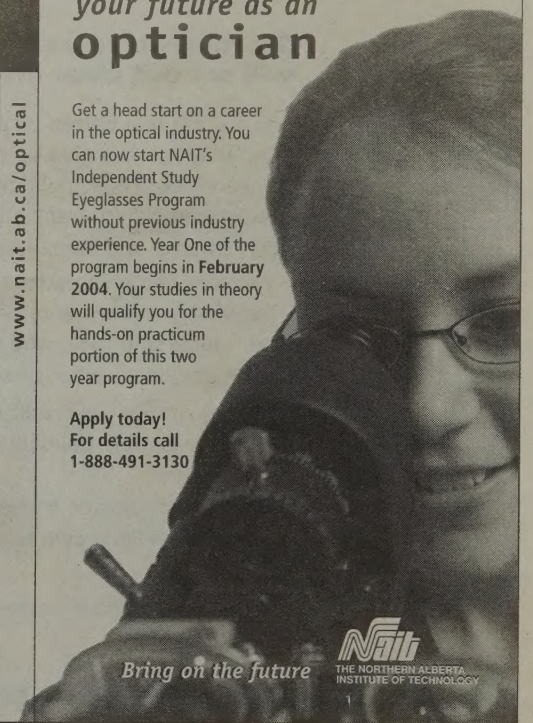


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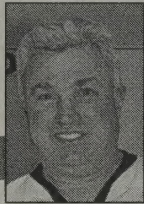


community **NEWS****Peewee Avalanche come close in Marwayne 'A' final**

One hundred years ago Orville and Wilbur Wright took to the air for the first time. These guys have been flying pretty high themselves for a few weeks now, the Peewee Avalanche have made it to the A final in the last two tournaments they entered and although both times they have failed to bring home the gold, sooner or later, if they keep working hard, they will be successful. Remember, the Wright Brothers didn't fly on their first attempt.

Peewee Avalanche were in Marwayne on the weekend winning Friday night over Lloydminster, then on Saturday over Meadow Lake, sending them to the semi-final Sunday morning against St. Walburg, which they won, sending them to the A final. They lost Sunday afternoon against the strong host team, Marwayne. A total team effort with goals from John "hammer" Schmitt, Kameron

"Boom Boom" Ballas, Taylor Brodwin, "Dirty Harry" Harrison Maas, Dillon "in your face" Loughran, Ryan Mar-



**doug BASSETT**

Review Sports

cenjuk, Ben Blacklock, Curtis Brodwin and Quillan Lowry. "Bronco Billy" Hudy played net in all four games this weekend, winning three out of four.

This was the first time some of these kids have played on natural ice, the Atom Avalanche winning 8 to 6 over in Pierceland. Down earlier in the game and playing with a very short bench, because of some sick kids, the Avalanche never gave up and took the lead in the last six minutes of the game. Another standout job for goalie Wyatt Dewan between the pipes this week, Jordyn "Tiger"

Wozniak with a hat trick, and a strong game for Tori Becker and Trevor Ballas with two goals each, Taylor Abraham adding a single.

Some trouble with the clock on Friday night -- the officials had to resort to using stopwatches as the Thunder lost a very close match to Edgerton 6 to 5. The team played a much more disciplined game than in the past few games. Robert Goldsmith with two, Tyler Loughran, Nicky "the sniper" Myshaniuk, Greg "brick house" Kozicky adding singles. Craig Dallaire and Brodie Schmitt with helpers.

On Sunday the Thunder traveled to Mannville, losing 5 to 2, Nicky "the sniper" Myshaniuk and Brett Youngmans scoring the goals, Dan "the man" Blacklock with an assist. Two really well played games, and only 30 minutes in penalties all weekend. Maybe



**THE ATOM AVALANCHE** proudly display their trophy from their 'A' side win in the Mallaig tournament on the December 6 and 7 weekend.

there is just a glimpse of light at the end of the tunnel!

The Midget Girls Storm played an excellent game down in Irma on Sunday, getting lots of scoring chances, but just couldn't buy a goal losing by a close 2 to 0. Amber Axley did a super job in net against one of the strongest teams in the tier 1 league.

The Novice Hurricanes were in Vermilion on Saturday morning losing to a strong team,

but even still, goalie Matthew Jenner was outstanding in the net. The "Lone Ranger" Logan Becker strikes again with the only Hurricanes goal.

Up in the Beer league, the French Connection, Roger, Jacques and Rene "Gazoo" Demossic playing together for the first time on a line for the blue team, connected for six goals in the annual B& R Bullets blue and white game at the Ice Palace in West

Edmonton Mall this past weekend. The game ended in a 11-all tie. There was a long session of Coaches Corner at Hooters after the game.

And now for the K. A. Campbell's quote of the week "He had a face that looked like it has been kissed by a train." Last week's answer to: "A winning streak for them is when they had back-to-back days off" - An old joke about a poor Flyers team.

**Pioneer Circle bingo**

December 8, 2003

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## The Night Before Christmas

By Mariette Mahe

Christmas Fire Safety Campaign  
Alberta Municipal Affairs Fire Commissioner's Office

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house,  
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse,  
When down through the chimney all covered in soot,  
Came the Spirit of Fire, an ugly galoot,  
His eyes glowed like embers, his features were stern,  
As he looked all around for something to burn.  
What he saw made him grumble, his anger grew higher,  
For there wasn't a thing that would start a good fire.  
No door had been blocked by the big Christmas Tree,

It stood in the corner leaving passageways free,  
The lights that glowed brightly for Betty and Jim,  
Had been hung with precaution so none touched a limb.

All the wiring was new, not a break could be seen,  
And water at its base kept the tree nice and green,  
The tree had been trimmed by a mother insistent,  
That the ornaments used must be fire-resistant,  
And would you believe it, right next to the tree,  
Was a suitable box for holding debris;  
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From all the gifts that Santa might bring.  
The ugly galoot was so mad he near bust,  
As he climbed up the chimney in utter disgust,  
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community **NEWS**

# Northern Lights Library System announces their first bursary recipient

Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) has awarded its first bursary to recipient Moriah Brunner of St. Paul, a graduate of F. G. Miller High School in Elk Point.

The bursary is designed to assist students within the northeastern Alberta area with funds to acquire education and training to enter into the library profession.

Ms. Brunner is enrolled in the first year of the distance learning Library and Information Technology Program from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. She is also taking courses from the University of Alberta and Athabasca University.

The NLLS Board Executive and NLLS Board Chair Mark Oberg presented Ms. Brunner with the cheque at a small ceremony on December 1st.

The \$500 bursary is to be awarded to an individual who is a resident of a city, town, village or municipality located within the boundaries of the NLLS area which serves the north-east portion of the province and who is enrolled in the first or second year of the library programs available at either the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology or Grant MacEwan Community College.



NORTHERN LIGHTS LIBRARY SYSTEM chair Mark Oberg and his board presented Moriah Brunner with a \$500 bursary toward her library training at SAIT.

## Stuck for a gift idea? How about a library card?

By Daphne Schnurer  
Librarian

Still stuck for a Christmas gift idea? What do you give when that person doesn't seem to need anything? How about a LIBRARY CARD? We have gift certificates available, or you can give the actual card, whichever you prefer. Library cards make great stocking stuffers for the whole family.

You can also purchase a book of your choice to donate to the library on someone's behalf. We will place a "donated by..." sticker on the front cover and

send a personal thank you card from the library to the person for in whose name you donated the book. Lt. Governor Lois Hole suggested this as a great alternative to "another blouse for Grandma" when she was here for graduation, and we think it's a great idea.

### Remember...

The library will be closed from December 24 to January 4 inclusive. We will be open regular hours on December 23 and January 5.

### Our regular hours are:

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays - 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays - 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fridays - 10:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Preschool Storytime Fridays at 10:30 a.m. - the next Storytime will be January 9.

The next Seniors Tea will be held on Tuesday, January 6. Mark your calendar and come down to enjoy coffee, tea, goodies and good conversation.



**HAIR TO SHARE** - Stephanie Ference of Elk Point is sending over 11" of her hair to Hair to Share Canada Society, after her long locks were shortened substantially by Myra Boothman at The Cutting Edge. Hair to Share collects the tresses to make wigs for cancer patients.

Photo by Melanie McRae

## Christmas services planned

Local churches are planning special services and events for the Christmas season.

**December 21 - 7 p.m.:** Interdenominational Christmas Cantata at Elk Point United Church.

**December 24 - 7 p.m.:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Elk Point United Church.

**December 24 - 7 p.m.:** Christmas Eve Service at Elk Point Christian Community Church.

Watch for updates in next week's issue.

## IN MEMORIAM

### In Loving Memory of Arvid Berg

Who passed away  
Dec. 14, 2001

Sadly Missed by  
The Berg Family

## IN MEMORIAM

### ANDRISHAK, Joanne

In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Joanne, who passed away December 22, 1991.

If tears could build a stairway  
And memories were a lane,  
We would walk right up to  
heaven to bring you home  
again.

No farewell words were  
spoken,  
No time to say goodbye,  
You were gone before we knew  
it.

And only God knows why.  
Our hearts still ache in sadness  
And secret tears still flow,  
What it meant to lose you  
No one will ever know.

Sadly missed by husband  
Peter and daughter Patricia.



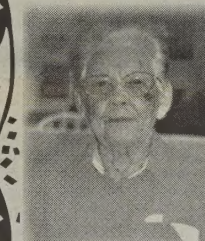
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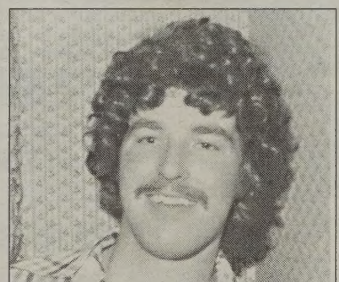


She wishes to extend a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. For those who visit; inquire on her; send cards, this is her Greeting to you and yours. Due to physical health she now resides at Long Term / Bonnyville Health Centre but retains her youthful conversation; sense of humor and outlook on life. Here's to you Neva!

Love from Diane and Len

## Nifty, Nifty

### The "Big Guy" is Fifty!!!



## review

## COMMUNITY NEWSLINE

**"Mother to Mother" Breastfeeding Support Group** - meets 4th Monday of every month, 10 a.m. Call 724-3332 for more info. Expectant mothers and older siblings welcome.

**At-Non Family Group Meeting**, Room 605, Elk Point Municipal Hospital, Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Room 604, Elk Point Hospital.

**"New To Town"** FCSS would like to welcome and familiarize new families with the services and programs available in town. Welcome packages contain a community directory, volunteer directory, coupons, maps and more! Call 724-3800 for more information or drop by 4902 - 51 Street.

**Elk Point Public Library** - HOURS: Mon., Tues., Thurs. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Wed., 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Photocopies. Extended library services and reliable information sources. Public meeting space available to non-profit organizations at no charge. Please call the Elk Point Library for booking at 724-3737.

**The Elk Point Health Centre Auxiliary** meets every fourth Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Elk Point Health Centre meeting room. Everyone welcome!

**Elk Point Auto Club** - meets at the Empress Restaurant, Elk Point, the 2nd Wednesday of each month. More information call: Ed Smith at 724-2527.

**Elk Point & Area "Stop Family Violence" Support Group** - meetings are held 2 times a month. For more information call 724-2380, 724-3800 or 645-1950

**Adoption/ Foster Support Krew** - meets every second Thursday. For more info call Judi at 724-2118.

Many Albertans gamble as a form of recreation. For a small minority, however, gambling becomes a problem. If you or someone you know is experiencing personal, social or financial problems as a result of their gambling, confidential help is available. Call 1-800-665-9676.

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**Phone 724-2493**

Followers of Jesus Christ  
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Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m.  
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**Fr. Nong (645-3277 or 724-3170)**

Sundays: Mass 11:30 a.m.  
1st Tuesday of the month: 4 p.m.  
Mass at Extended Care  
1st Friday of the month: 7 p.m.  
Mass followed by Holy  
Hour/Benediction  
Fridays: Bible Study 7:30 p.m.  
Confessions: Before and after  
Mass and upon request

**Bethel Lutheran Church  
of Lea Park**

Weekly Services, 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion 2nd and 3rd  
Sundays

**Bible Fellowship Church  
Clondonald**

Services held every  
Sunday at 11:00 a.m.



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### 1 AUCTION

**COWBOY COUNTRY 7th Annual Auction**, Sunday, December 28, 10 a.m., Bassano, Alberta. Western and native heritage collectibles. Lloyd's Auction phone/fax 403-854-2481. Listings and pictures: [www.lloydsauction.com/](http://www.lloydsauction.com/).

**UNRESERVED METALWORKING Auction** for Artistic Steel Manufacturing as instructed by Kingston Ross Pasnak Inc., Monday, December 29/03, 10 a.m. at 9459 - 49 St., Edmonton. Preview: Sunday, December 28, 10 - 4 p.m. Selling metalworking equipment, woodworking and shop equipment, welders, inventory, office furniture and equipment, plus more. Complete listing [www.centuryserver.com](http://www.centuryserver.com). Conducted by Century Services Inc., 780-944-9144.

### 2 AUTO

2002 PONTIAC SUNFIRE - 4-dr., auto, air, cruise, cd, traction control, command start, 26,000 kms, \$12,500 obo. No GST. St. Paul. Phone 780-645-3583. Dec23

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Complete resumes, including references, should be forwarded by January 5, 2004 to:

**Mr. Gary Zuko**

**Principal, Heinsburg School**

**General Delivery, Heinsburg, AB., T0A 1X0**

**Phone 780-943-3913; Fax 780-943-3773**

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### Homeland Oil Well Servicing Ltd.

(Division of Fishing Lake Metis Settlement)

### POSITION DESCRIPTION: Operations Manager

**REPORTS TO:** Homeland Oil Well Servicing Ltd. Board of Directors  
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**PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Strong oral and written communication skills \* Ability to motivate, lead and manage workforce \* A strong commitment to customer satisfaction \* Networking and negotiating with other managers to find innovative solutions to problems.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Grade Twelve, Bachelors Degree Business Administration or Bachelors of Commerce or Degree in Engineering \* Valid driver's license and reliable vehicle is essential; Equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered. Minimum of 5 years experience in supervisory capacity \* Strong working knowledge of Health and Safety Practices.

**WAGE:** Negotiable.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS** is January 5, 2004 at 4:00 pm.

Please submit your resume / portfolios to the attention of:

**Annette Daniels, Economic Development Officer**  
Fishing Lake Metis Settlement  
Gen. Del., Fishing Lake, AB., T0A 3G0  
Fax 780-943-2575; Email: edo@fishinglake.ca

Attach References.

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Box 510, Elk Point, AB., T0A 1A0  
Attention: Greg Fuller, Gen. Mgr.  
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# community NEWS



SOLOIST RUTH PUGH was featured in the Elk Point Community Choir's "Breath of Heaven", conducted by Udo Mueller, with Deanna Easthope at the piano and Shelby Mueller as page turner.



TUNEFUL TWO - Shirley Krekoski and Dan Bubenko combine voices in "Sleep Little Baby".

*Another great concert!*



FLUTIST KRISTYN SIEBEN was featured in "Hope, Peace, Joy and Love". She also performed an original piano and vocal composition during the concert.

## Community Choir presents their annual gift of music

Elk Point Community Choir entertained two appreciative home town crowds at Elk Point Seniors Recreation Centre last week, with proceeds shared by the Knights of Columbus and the Clarissa Gusnowski Trust Fund.

The Choir started off each evening with "Mary Sat A-rockin'", followed up by the traditional "All Through the Night", "Born 'Neath a Star" and "Breath of Heaven." The men of the choir finished the first set with "Down in the Valley", a traditional American folk song.

Talented young singer, pianist and composer Chelsea Buryn offered an original solo, "I'll Always Be

With You". Shirley Krekoski and Dan Bubenko's duet, "Sleep Little Baby" was accompanied by Kristyn Sieben on flute and Udo Mueller on piano. Jessica Journault played a spirited piano solo, "Let it Snow!" followed by Kristyn Sieben's original voice and piano composition, "Sing Good Bye".

The ladies of the Choir started the second set with "Glad Noel" with Linda Peters on piano. The whole choir sang "Hodie, Veni, Christe" in Latin, followed by "O Holy Night" with Dixie Coleman as soloist. Kristyn Sieben's flute highlighted "Hope, Peace, Joy and Love" while Linda Peters accompanied the lilting "Bidi Bom".

The audience was invited to sing along with several favorite holiday numbers, and welcomed Santa and his elf with "Here Comes Santa Claus".

Monica Carrier played a piano solo, "Joy to the World". Shirley Osinchuk, Cheryl Kurash and Kerry Anderson's Harmony trio sang their own arrangement of "O Come Emmanuel" followed by Erica Spoeth on cello and Linda Peters on piano in the beautiful 1600s vintage "Pachelbel's Canon". Kerry Anderson was the last soloist, with a powerful rendition of "Jesus, the Light of the World."

The Choir's final set included a swiny rendition of "Mary, Go Tell It" with Kerry Anderson on piano, "What Child", with Deanna Easthope accompanying, and "Peace on Earth" with Barb Buryn on piano, Erin Mueller on conga, percussionist Kristyn Sieben and soloist Kerry Anderson. They closed with "May You Always Have a Song."

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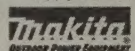
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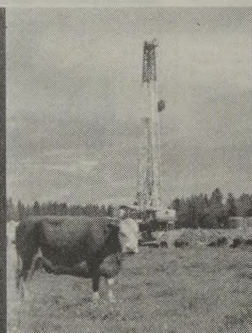
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